

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON HALL 204 LEE AVENUE FORT MYER, VIRGINIA 22211-1199

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

Freedom of Information Act Officer

27 August 2012

Mrs Marguerite Morris 23252 Chestnut Oak Court #1017 California, MD 20619

Dear Mrs Morris,

In response to your FOIA request, case number FA-12-0024, a search was conducted and the responsive records, with appropriate redactions for Privacy Act Information under Exemption 6, are provided. Should you have further questions, you may contact me or Mrs Toni Jelks at (703) 696-7096/8516.

SUSAN M. MITCHELL

Freedom of Information Act Officer

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NAME & RANK		SSN	UNIT & LOCATION	,	MONTHLY BASE PAY
,			B Co, 1st BN, 3d US IN VA 22211		
1. I am considering wheth	her you should be punis	hed under Article 15, I	UCMJ, for the following mi	sconduct: In that you, di	d. at or near Fort
Myer, VA, between on or	about 28 March 2011 a	nd on or about 16 May	/ 2011, violate a lawful gen	eral regulation, to wit: D	epartment of Defense
Financial Management Re of Article 92, UCMJ.	egulation, volume 9, cha	upter 3, dated March 20	005, by wrongfully misusin	g a government travel car	d. This is in violation
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6. The following p	unishment is imposed: Re to the limits of Joint Bas	eduction to Private F	irst Class (E3); forfeitur	re of \$545.00 pay per month for 2 months; extra duty for	or
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ARTICLE 15 RIGHTS, MAXIMUM PUNISHMENTS, AND FILING

Article 15, UCMJ, is a federal law that permits commanding officers to conduct non-judicial proceedings for minor offenses. A Soldier may refuse Article 15 proceedings and demand trial by court-martial, unless attached to or embarked on a vessel. A Commander may find a Soldier guilty of an offense at an Article 15 proceeding only after being convinced beyond a reasonable doubt that the Soldier is guilty.

SOLDIERS HAVE THE FOLLOWING RIGHTS AT AN ARTICLE 15 PROCEEDING:

- a. To refuse Article 15 proceedings and demand trial by court-martial. If the Soldier is attached to or embarked on a vessel, he or she is not permitted to refuse Article 15 proceedings. If a Soldier demands trial by court-martial, the trial could be a Summary, Special, or General Court-Martial. A Soldier may object to trial by Summary Court-Martial. At a Special or General Court-Martial, a Soldier is entitled to be represented by qualified military defense counsel, or by civilian counsel at no expense to the government.
- b. To request an open or closed hearing.
- c. To request a person to speak on his or her behalf.
- d. To invoke his or her rights under Article 31(b), UCMJ, to remain silent and to not make any statement regarding the offense(s) for which the Article 15 hearing is held. If the Soldier makes a statement, that statement may be used as evidence in a later trial by court-martial.
- e. To present matters in defense, extenuation, or mitigation.
- f. To discuss the Article 15 and its proceedings with an attorney in private before making these elections.
- g. To appeal the findings and punishment to the next superior authority.

MAXIMUM PUNISHMENTS UNDER A FORMAL ARTICLE 15 FOR ENLISTED SOLDIERS IF IMPOSED BY:

A Company Grade Officer: An oral or written reprimand, restriction for 14 days, extra duty for 14 days, correctional custody for 7 days (if the Soldier is in the grade of E-3 or below and if a correctional custody facility is available), reduction of one grade (if the Soldier is in the grade of E-4 or below), and forfeiture of 7 days' pay. The amount of the forfeiture is computed at the reduced grade, even if suspended, if reduction is part of the punishment imposed.

A Field Grade or General Officer: An oral or written reprimand, restriction for 60 days, extra duty for 45 days, correctional custody for 30 days (if the Soldier is in the grade of E-3 or below and if a correctional custody facility is available), reduction of one or more grades (if the Soldier is in the grade of E-4 or below), reduction of one grade if the Soldier is in the grade of E-5 or E-6, and forfeiture of ½ of one month's pay for two months. The amount of the forfeiture is computed at the reduced grade, even if suspended, if reduction is part of the punishment imposed. When restriction is combined with extra duty, the maximum period of restriction is 45 days.

MAXIMUM PUNISHMENTS UNDER ARTICLE 15 FOR COMMISSIONED & WARRANT OFFICERS IF IMPOSED BY:

A Company Grade Officer or Field Grade Officer: A written reprimand and restriction for 30 days. Note: The authority of company and field grade officers to impose Article 15 punishment on fellow officers is typically withheld by the General Court-Martial Convening Authority (GCMCA). Check with the command's Staff Judge Advocate before attempting to take action.

A General Officer or GCMCA: A written reprimand, arrest in quarters for 30 days, restriction for 60 days, and forfeiture of ½ of one month's pay for two months.

THE FILING OF ARTICLE 15 FORMS & REVIEW BY DA CAREER MANAGERS AND SELECTION BOARDS:

If a Commander finds a Soldier in the rank of Sergeant (E-5) or above guilty of one or more offenses at an Article 15 proceeding and imposes punishment, the Commander must file the Article 15 form in either the Soldier's Official Military Personnel File (OMPF) performance or restricted fiche. MOS/specialty career managers and DA Selection Boards routinely use the OMPF performance fiche. The OMPF restricted fiche is not given to MOS/specialty career managers or DA selection boards without the approval of the Commander, HRC or selection board proponent. If the soldier is in the grade of E-4 or below at the start of an Article 15 proceeding and punishment is imposed, the form will be maintained locally and no filing in the OMPF, either in the performance or the restricted fiche, is authorized. AR 27-10, Chapter 3 provides detailed rules governing requests to transfer an Article 15 from a Soldier's performance fiche to his or her restricted fiche.

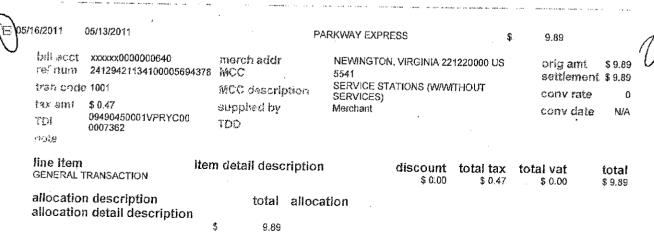
THE NEED TO IMPROVE STANDARDS OF PERFORMANCE AND CONDUCT: Soldiers found guilty at an Article 15 proceeding are considered to be on notice that they must improve their conduct and performance. An Article 15 may form the basis, either in whole or in part, for an administrative separation action that results in a less than honorable discharge. Soldiers are strongly encouraged to exhibit the behavior necessary to receive an Honorable Discharge. If not, one or more of the following situations may occur:

- a. The Soldier may be separated with a General Discharge under Honorable Conditions or with an Other Than Honorable Discharge
- b. A Soldier separated with less than an honorable discharge may be barred from ever enlisting again, may encounter problems securing civilian employment, and may forfeit the many benefits generally associated with an Honorable Discharge.
- c. The Soldier should be aware that the likelihood of upgrading a less than honorable discharge, while possible, is unlikely.

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